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SINGING. M^{rs}. ALGERIA HAMILTON of
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FOX FAMA and BELLORA.—Scaris, Bows, and Ties
black, white, lavender and coloured, latest changes.
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The Sydney Morning Herald.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1874.

physical force. This was obvious enough in ancient times, and during the mediæval period in Europe itself, when the frequent changes of government began with or were the result of civil wars, insurrections, which could only be put down by the iron hand. And in modern Europe, wherever absolute government virtually prevails, it is clear that military force is the chief and ultimate, if not the sole foundation of authority. This was well exemplified in the careers of the two NAPOLEONS, whose entire fabric of government, combined in the case of the latter with a system of mock-representation, utterly collapsed with the downfall of military prestige and supremacy.

No doubt representative government has done much to abate the violence and lessen the frequency of civil wars and popular commotions, and to transfer the contest for power from the camp to the hustings and the senate. But it has been repeatedly shown that, even under representative institutions, the ultimate resort to military strife must be to arms, when the strength of opposing parties or conflicting opinions is really so great, or so strong, that each side, confident in its own strength, or in the justice of its cause, refuses to submit to legal or technical decision. In England and Scotland representative institutions and popular race of sovereigns were inaugurated and finally established by a series of civil wars. In France, if representative government can be said to have been established at all, it has only been by successful military contests and sanguinary revolutions. The present Government of France, republican, provisional, or whatever it may be, reigns only by force of arms over a scarcely vanquished and still formidable faction of malcontents. The constitution of the Government of Italy rests upon its victories in arms. In Spain, the first of modern nations, some form of representation took root and flourished, as the national Government can scarcely hold its ground, by reason of its military weakness. And so far as a representative system exists in Germany or Austria, and however it may generally coincide with the opinions of a majority in either country, the civil commotions that formed a sort of prelude to this system can leave no doubt that the Government of each would have little permanence or stability without the maintenance of large armies and a most elaborate military organisation.

No doubt every nation of modern times may not be under an equal necessity of military preparation and organisation. But one misfortune of the European system is that the exhibition of a warlike temper and resources on the part of one nation imposes, if not an equal, at better state, more or less of a similar necessity upon others, and particularly upon most neighbouring nations. It is almost impossible to imagine that the sanguinary character of the laws against, and of the efforts to repress insurrections, as well as of the insurrections themselves, respectively, react upon each other, and produce a habit of mind in nations generally which tends to postpone to a remote period the settlement of national disputes, whether external or internal, by any other arbitrement than the sword. Nevertheless, it does not become the Christian philanthropist to slacken his efforts, or to despair of the extension, or future prevalence, of humane or rational principles. Christianity and modern civilization have already done much towards bringing about a better state of things. There is a vast difference on the one hand between modern hesitation and deliberation in making war, and the professed desire of each party to enlist for itself the opinion of Europe, by appealing, or appearing to appeal, to reason and justice, and on the other the practice of those ferocious times when wars were levied without apparent reason or necessity, often under the avowed purpose of a love of glory or territorial aggrandisement, or in the violence of excited passions. And it is no less gratifying to remark the amelioration which has taken place in modern times in dealing with State criminals, who, instead of being, as formerly, massacred off hand in deadly dungeons or by indiscriminate executions, or executed by mock trials and a miserable pretence of justice, are now, in general, reckoned on being fairly tried, as well as being kept in prison while in cases of conviction, as was lately exemplified by the leniency shown to the Fenian disturbers in Great Britain, extreme punishments are seldom resorted to, except in those extreme cases where no other expedient appears possible as a means of restraining future disturbances of the same kind and from the same parties.

In a recent letter, our travelling reporter pointed to a provision in the Land Law that would be the better for amendment. The fourteenth clause of the Crown Lands Alienation Act provides that, "Crown lands within proclaimed gold-fields, and not within areas excluded by special proclamation, and not occupied for gold-mining purposes, shall be open for conditional sale, subject to all the provisions applicable to sales under the thirteen sections of this Act. Provided that in any period of years specially assigned by the Minister shall be at liberty to dig and search for gold within the lands selected, and that should the land be found to contain auriferous deposits it shall be in the power of the Governor and Executive Council to annul the sale, and thereupon the conditional purchaser shall be entitled to compensation for the value other than auriferous of the lands and improvements."

The effect of this clause is thought to discourage settlement and cultivation on gold-fields, where it is very much required. At least if it be not this that discourages settlement under such circumstances, some more efficient cause should appear, which is not the case. Our correspondent describes the state of things at Parkes. Here, he says, more than ten thousand people are collected, and the very hay that the horses consume is brought from Orange! Cultivation is on the slenderest scale, and the few who are raising crops are cramped in their efforts for want of labour. Farming, in fact, not being a sound business, with the present little thought about it. It may be supposed that the profits of gold-mining are superior to those of raising crops, and therefore people are disinclined to take to the latter; but it is generally allowed that a comparison of the average earnings of gold-miners with those of steady workmen in other industries is not in favour of the former. The prizes are few and far between, and the multitude sink under the attempt to secure them. They press forward with the fever of excitement, and live on that Micawber hope which tendeth unto sickness—altogether a very unsatisfactory state of existence. The miners' earnings at Parkes, we are told, are below those of the lowest-paid bush labourers, irrespective of rations; and yet the charm works, and the delusive gleam of sudden and astonishing fortune lures them on, and disinclines them for settled life. From Parkes they are ready to rush to the Paterson, and even more distant lands, upon the slightest rumour

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R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on **FRIDAY, October 11** at 11 o'clock.

Full particulars in early issue.
Terms at sale.

AMERICAN LUMBER.

Important Unreserved Sale of the entire shipment of
American Timber, ex Kate Davenport, just arrived
from New York, comprising
CLEAR PINE
CARPENTERS' CLEAR Ditto
SHELVING and CRILLING BOARDS.

For order of Messrs. R. Towns and Co., at their Ware-

HURSDAY AFTERNOON, 22nd instant, at 3 o'clock.
O TIMBER MERCHANTS, BUILDERS, CON-
TRACTORS, COUNTRY BUYERS, SHIPPERS,
and OTHERS.
R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received
 instructions from the importers to sell by
 auction, at Messrs. R. Towns and Co's. Warehouse, No. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821,

The entire shipment of choice selected clear American pine, ex Lake Davenport, as follows:—
15,000 feet carpenters' clear pine, 2 inch
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19,340 feet carpenters' clear pine, 2 inch.
Terms at sale.

KNIGHT, BEVAN, and STURGE'S PORTLAND CEMENT.
FOR POSITIVE SALE.

Now landing ex Tyburnia, from London, in splendid condition.

IMPORTANT TO BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS,
SPECULATORS, AND OTHERS.

250 Barrels Finest Cement, from the above celebrated
makers.

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et's** Towns and Co.'s Wharf, Miller's Point, on **THURSDAY
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250 barrels Knight, Bevan, and Co's cement, in lots to suit purchasers.
 Terms at sale.

TOWN HOUSE,
 newly finished, and exactly opposite the
UNIVERSITY PARK.

**A COMPACT PROPERTY AND MOST SUITABLE
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R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by
 auction, at the Rooms, on THURSDAY,
 October 29, at 11 o'clock,
 That handsome town residence, having a frontage of 46
 feet by a depth of 114 feet to a lane in the rear.
 It has been erected without regard to expense, of elegant
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 HALL, and 4 BEDROOMS; BATHROOM, MAID'S
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KITCHEN, COACH-HOUSE, STABLE, tiled yard—
a fact, perfect in every respect, and does
NOT REQUIRE A SHILLING OUTLAY.
Cards to view by applying at the Rooms.
Terms liberal.

Nos. 663 and 665,
BOURKE-STREET, SURREY HILLS,
looking on to Moore Park.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on THURSDAY, October 29, at 11 o'clock,
That excellent property, comprising 2 two-storied houses, most substantially built of brick—the former having

No. 503 is occupied by the proprietor, and 505 is let at low rental of 10s per week.
Full particulars at Rooms.
Terms liberal.

**COMFORTABLE BRICK DWELLING-HOUSE,
DEVONSHIRE-STREET.**

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Rooms, on **THURSDAY, October 20, at 11 o'clock,** That well-built dwelling-house, being No. 160, Devonshire-street, having 4 rooms, kitchen, and out-buildings, erected on land having 20 feet frontage, by a depth of 100 feet.

Leasehold, 90 years, subject to a ground rent of 45 per annum.

COTTAGE RESIDENCE
and
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Valuable, Glassed, and

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BALANCE MAY REMAIN FOR THREE
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R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received instructions from the proprietor, to sell by auction, at the Rooms, on THURSDAY, November 8, at 11 o'clock,
That excellent COTTAGE RESIDENCE, outhouse, and GROUNDS, together with the
VILLA ALLOTMENTS,
in Erskineville and Swanston streets, on which are erected several tenements, to be given in to the

The fine British Barone GRATITUDE, 404 tons register,

carries 760 tons general cargo, now discharging at Towns's Wharf.

FOR POSITIVE SALE,
on an early day, full particulars of which will be given in a future issue.

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The Gratitude was built expressly for the Imperial Naval Service, of the very best materials, and is one of the most substantially-built vessels now in port. She was remodeled in June, 1872, and is well found in sails, gun,

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The fine British-built barque **GRATITUDE**, with all her sails, &c., standing and running rigging in good order; requires little ballast for a sea voyage, and shifts with only 25 tons on board.

seen at Towns' Wharf, where she is now discharging a general cargo from New York, and where intending purchasers may inspect prior to day of sale. Inventory may be seen at the Auction Mart.
Terms, liberal, at sale.

SALE OF ONE OF THE FINEST CATTLE PROPERTIES IN THE COLONIES.

THE PEAK VALE AND KILMAREE STATION, QUINN'S

SITUATION ON THE PEAK DOWN, SCOTLAND, CLOSE TO THE TOWNSHIPS CLEMMONT AND COFFERFIELD, with
6000 HEAD OF CATTLE
50 HORSES
15 WORKING BULLOCKS.

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SYDNEY, on TUESDAY, the 16th DECEMBER, at 11 o'clock.

The above first-class property (full particulars of which may be seen in each Saturday's SYDNEY MORNING HERALD).

Any further particulars may be obtained and a plan inspected at the auctioneer's office, Bell's-chamber, 17, Pitt-street, Sydney.

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